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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicants bring the disclosures attached and listed on completed Form PTO-1449 to the Examiner's attention and request that they be considered and made of record in this application.

WO 95/26209 corresponds to U.S. Patent Nos. 5,562,646, 5,599,335 and 5,669,894.
JP-A-514934/2002 corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 5,851,672. JP-A-501979/2000
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In accordance with the amendments to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a) (revisions effective October 21, 2004) and as discussed in the October 19, 2004 Official Gazette (1287 OG 163), copies of

U.S. patents and published applications cited on the attached Form PTO-1449 are not enclosed.

Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

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